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REMARKS

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on June 29, 2005, in which claims 1-8 and 11-20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Kryder et al. (U.S. 6,011,664) ("Kryder"). Claim 9 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kryder in view of Pelhos et al. (U.S. Publication No. 2004/0115481) ("Pelhos").